Ebikes on Bicycle Network Events

Bicycle Network welcomes the use of ebikes on its events, and will provide support for them in line with the following policy.

Events

Bicycle Network supports the use of ebikes on the following mass participation events:

- RACV Great Victorian Bike Ride
- Around the Bay
- Ride the Night
- Tour de Depot

However, ebikes are not permitted on designated ‘challenge’ events, including the Peaks Challenge Series and Newcrest Orange Challenge.

Type of bike

The most powerful ebike that can be used is one that complies with the current legal maximum output for an unregistered ebike in the state or territory where the event is being held.

- This is likely to be 250watt output for a pedelec (pedal assist) ebike or 200watt output for an ebike with a throttle that can be used independently of pedalling.
- Ebikes that are required to be registered are not permitted on the event as they are considered motorcycles.

On-road support

Bicycle Network will support ebikes through our standard on-road support systems, with the following exceptions:

- Ebikes that weigh more than 10 kilograms cannot be lifted onto SAG wagon trailers by our on-road support teams.
- Bicycle Network makes no guarantee that on-event mechanical providers will be able to provide support for the electrical system of ebikes in the event.

Charging

Battery recharge facilities will be provided at multi-day events on overnight campsites only.

- Charging facilities will only be available during designated hours that will be advertised, prior to and during an event. Charging will not be available outside the normal hours.

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• Charging facilities will be limited in quantity and Bicycle Network makes no guarantee that charging facilities will be made available as and when a user wishes to use them during the designated hours.
• Only the provided and approved charging facilities are to be used for charging of ebikes and use of power from any other outlet on-site is not permitted under any circumstances,
• Users are required to provide their own charging equipment – Bicycle Network will only supply a power source.
• Charging will only be available for portable battery packs and not those batteries directly mounted on bicycles.
• Users are required to pay $10 per 4 hour charge.